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Applicant: Robert P. Kimberly

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For: GENETIC POLYMORPHISM IN THE RECEPTOR FOR IgA

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2002 issued in connection with the above-identified application, please consider the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

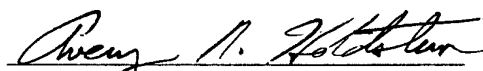
By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 USC §121 and §372:

- I. Claims 1-21 and 26-35, drawn to methods of determining susceptibility to a disease through the identification of the genotype, as relayed through polynucleotide analysis and kits containing reagents.
- II. Claims 22-25, 34 and 35, drawn to a method of determining susceptibility to a disease through the identification of the phenotype, as relayed through amino acid and polypeptide analysis and kits containing reagents.

Responsive to the requirement for restriction Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group I directed to methods of determining susceptibility to a disease through

the identification of the genotype, as relayed through polynucleotide analysis and kits containing reagents, **without traverse**.

Respectfully submitted,



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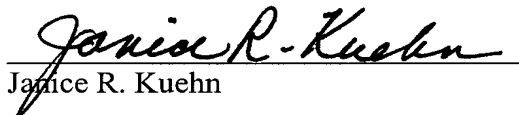
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